

Patent Claims

1. Electric switch module with one or several electric switches disposed on a carrier (7), of which at least one is conceptualized as a push-pull rocker switch (2, 3) with an actuation member (4) formed by an actuation projection (5) asymmetrically with respect to its rocking axis (6), **characterized in that** the top side of the carrier (7) with the actuation members (4) of its switches (2, 3) is covered by a flexible outer skin (10) enclosing the actuation projection (5) of the actuation member (4) of the at least one rocker switch (2, 3).
2. Switch module as claimed in claim 1, **characterized in that** the underside of the outer skin (10) rests intimately on the top side of the carrier (7).
3. Switch module as claimed in claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** the margin of the outer skin is connected with the carrier through an adhesion foam.
4. Switch module as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, **characterized in that** the outer skin comprises downwardly projecting positioning nobs and/or positioning beads, which engage grooves of the carrier and/or gaps provided between the carrier and the switches disposed therein.
5. Switch module as claimed in one of claims 1 to 4, **characterized in that** with the at least one rocker switch (2, 3) is associated an actuation protection (9) located beneath the outer skin (10), which prevents an unintentional push actuation on the actuation member (4) to move it into its pull position.

6. Switch module as claimed in one of claims 1 to 5, **characterized in that** the outer skin has a connection flange for connecting the outer skin with the skin of an adjacent trim paneling, for example the outer skin of an arm rest of a motor vehicle.
7. Switch module as claimed in one of claims 1 to 6, **characterized in that** the outer skin (10) is comprised of polyurethane or silicone.
8. Switch module as claimed in claim 7, **characterized in that** the outside surface of the outer skin (10) is embossed to create a surface pattern.

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The currently valid claims 2 to 8 follow unmodified